

## Evaluating your Assessment Strategies and Tools

The exercise below can assist you in focusing on the key aspects of assessment you are required to address in your BEST portfolio. Evaluate your assessments by identifying where on the continuum you fall for each item below. Then list 2 or 3 examples as “evidence” to justify your decision and share your assessments and your answers to this exercise with your mentor or content colleague.

*These characteristics reflect a more developed portfolio*

*These characteristics reflect a less developed portfolio*

1. My summative assessment was aligned clearly with the main unit objective.		I assessed a discrete skill which was only part of what I expected students to be able to do in the main unit objective.
Examples:		
2. I used a variety of relevant informative assessments of students' psychomotor, affective and cognitive learning throughout the lesson.		I relied mainly on observation of students without really defining what I was looking for with clear criteria.
Examples:		
3. My assessment criteria focused on the quality of performance based on specific critical elements.		My assessment criteria focused more on quantitative measures rather than the performance quality.
Examples:		
4. I clearly communicated to my students in explanations and demonstrations the assessment criteria, focusing on critical elements of performance.		I assumed students would figure out what quality performance looked like and what was expected.
Examples:		
5. I engaged students in activities to use critical elements to analyze their own performance.		Students received information about performance from me and were not expected to analyze their own performance.
Examples:		
6. I made decisions about the teaching/learning process based on the analysis of students' performance.		I continued as planned not using student performance to direct my teaching.
Examples:		

7. My feedback was specific, detailed and reflected critical elements of students performance.	My feedback usually consisted of general comments.
Examples:	